

Attachment M – Part I

Examples of RMP/EA Goals and Objectives
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Access Management

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on improving signing, maintaining existing roads to provide safe access, providing adequate year-round access for visitors, and closing illegal access roads to the reservoir. It also focused on providing only necessary and appropriate access to or between designated recreation areas (table M-1). Meeting the goals and objectives established for this issue category will achieve safe access to, within, and from lands within the study area.

Table M-1.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives for Canyon Ferry RMP/EA

Access management issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Maintain/improve existing roads	Implement program to provide reasonable maintenance of existing roads	Implement an operation and maintenance program consistent with available funding Develop partnerships for needed road maintenance and enhancements Develop a signage plan for the Canyon Ferry Reservoir area
The reservoir does not have adequate access	Provide adequate access to recreation areas	Use established Federal criteria in evaluating roads for public use Develop and implement procedures for closing off-road vehicle roads/areas and roads that do not have legal access Evaluate the suitability of existing roads for year-round access

Recreation Management

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on upgrading existing recreation facilities, providing additional camping and day-use facilities, providing more recreation opportunities, reducing user conflicts, eliminating off-road vehicle (ORV) use, improving the quality of the concession operations at the reservoir, and providing a healthy and safe environment for visitors (table M-2). Meeting the goals, objectives, and actions established for this issue category will provide safe and quality recreation facilities, opportunities, and services to meet public expectations within the study area.

Table M-2.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives
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Recreation management issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Not enough recreation facilities and opportunities	Provide for a variety of recreational opportunities and facilities	Determine the types and quantities of new recreation facilities needed, based on demand, carrying capacity limits, and site-specific recreation master planning.
		Provide facilities and opportunities for people with disabilities
		Provide information to visitors
		Use current design standards and principles for the design and construction of facilities
Laws and regulations not enforced	Improve visitor safety and increase resource protection	Establish and enforce recreation-related rules and regulations to conserve and protect resources and to protect the health and safety of visitors
		Balance recreation development with other uses of reservoir lands
		Following established procedures, eliminate ORV use

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Recreation management issue category (continued)		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Existing facilities not maintained	Maintain facilities to protect the Federal investment	Establish and implement a schedule of routine maintenance for the reservoir's recreation facilities and infrastructure
Concessions (marinas) should continue	Provide commercial goods and services to the public in a fiscally responsible manner in response to user demand	Select concessionaires on a competitive basis
		Seek concessionaires as partners to assist Reclamation in protecting reservoir lands and providing quality recreation opportunities and appropriate goods and services to the visiting public
		Evaluate concession operations on a periodic basis to ensure that the operators adhere to the terms and conditions of their contract
Charge an appropriate fee for the use of facilities	Implement a fee structure to optimize revenue collection	Use a Commercial Services Plan to assist in issuing any Request for Proposal for commercial services
		Set fees on a fee-for-service or fee-for-facility use basis
		Fees should reflect prevailing costs for similar services or facilities in the private sector, reflecting market demand

Heritage Resources

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on protecting paleontological and heritage resources, minimizing the loss of resources to artifact collectors, avoiding sensitive resources during development of facilities and features, and providing more interpretive information on the heritage resources in the Canyon Ferry Reservoir area (table N-3). Meeting the goals, objectives, and actions established for this issue category will safeguard heritage, historic, and paleontological resources within the study area.

Table M-3.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives for Canyon Ferry RMP/EA

Heritage resources issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Paleontological and heritage resources are not protected or interpreted	Identify, conserve, protect, and provide opportunities for the public to experience the heritage, historic, and paleontological resources of the reservoir	Pursue a systematic inventory of historic, prehistoric, and paleontological resources
		Provide a reasonable level of oversight to protect the heritage resources
		Develop interpretive displays and brochures for heritage resources
		Require all entities doing business on Canyon Ferry lands to provide enough notification to allow Reclamation to comply with all pertinent laws, rules, and regulations

Health and Safety

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on providing an appropriate level of law enforcement, establishing no wake zones to reduce user conflicts, providing appropriate sewage and garbage disposal, providing safe drinking water, posting rules and regulations, controlling dust, upgrading unsafe facilities, and providing additional boat ramps at the south end of the reservoir for escape routes during inclement weather (table M-4). Meeting the goals, objectives, and actions established for this issue category will provide a safe and healthy environment for visitors within the study area.

Table M-4.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives for Canyon Ferry RMP/EA

Health and safety issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
The public is not safe at some locations around the reservoir	Provide a safe and healthy environment for visitors	Promote proactive law enforcement activities
Maintain or assist in maintaining public health at and near the reservoir	Increase public awareness regarding safety and security	Separate users to prevent user conflicts and accidents
		Respond to and correct unsafe conditions
		Ensure availability of adequate

emergency services

Table M-4.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives
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Health and safety issue category (continued)		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
		Provide adequate public safety measures for protection of visitors
		Provide adequate sanitary facilities and safe drinking water
		Assess and implement dust abatement control measures where appropriate
		Develop a health, safety, and security program to educate and inform visitors
		Develop and implement adequate informational and regulatory signage program
		Promote Crime Witness Program

Wildlife Resources

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on preserving, protecting, and enhancing wildlife areas; providing additional hunting opportunities; improving habitat; and adding funding in support of fish and wildlife resources (table M-5). Meeting the goals, objectives and actions established for this issue category will protect and enhance the wildlife resources within the study area.

Table M-5.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives
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Wildlife resources issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Need more hunting opportunities, as well as habitat improvement, to increase species numbers (upland game birds and other species, as appropriate)	Enhance fish and wildlife recreation opportunities	Work cooperatively with other entities to improve fish and wildlife habitat by, among other things, developing additional wildlife areas
		Develop a line of communication with MFWP to forward public

concerns about hunting and fishing

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Wildlife resources issue category (continued)		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Need to balance recreation development with fish and wildlife protection	Balance recreation development with fish and wildlife protection	Monitor the use of Canyon Ferry lands to identify conflicts between hunters, anglers, and other users Ensure a balance between fish and wildlife resources and recreational opportunities
Need to provide funding sources, in addition to recreation funding, to support fish and wildlife	Identify a source and level of funding	Identify the base level of funding necessary to manage and maintain the fish and wildlife resources of the reservoir Seek permanent sources of funding (to the extent allowed by law and policy)

Public Information

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on keeping the Visitor Center open; posting needed rules and regulations; providing information on the opportunities available at the reservoir; providing an appropriate number of direction, information, and warning signs to improve traffic flow, use of facilities, and visitor safety; and maintaining the eagle watching program for educational purposes (table M-6). Meeting the goals, objectives, and actions established for this issue category will enhance the visitor experience and interpret the different resources within the study area.

Table M-6.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives
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Public information issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Need more information about the reservoir	Enhance public information	Establish clear, consistent signage to guide public use of the reservoir and inform the public about the use of Reclamation land, water, and facilities

Table M-6.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives
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Public information issue category (continued)		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Need more information about the reservoir (continued)		Use a variety of media to communicate with the public: printed materials, maps, photos, brochures, web sites, etc.
		Provide information on a variety of topics: rules, regulations, history of the dam, elk and moose distributions, dam operations, weather, etc.
Need more visitor services	Enhance visitor services	Operate Visitor Center and support facilities (e.g., restroom and parking lot)
		Provide additional programs for public enjoyment (e.g., wildlife observation and interpretive programs)

Land Use

The issues and concerns identified in this issue category focused on increasing the efforts to control weeds on Federal lands, preventing erosion, coordinating Canyon Ferry Reservoir development with local communities, locating septic systems for lease lots, consolidating lease lot docks to allow public access, and locating the exterior boundaries of lease lots (table M-7). Meeting the goals, objectives, and actions established for this issue category will prevent unnecessary damage to existing resources and facilities within the study area.

Table M-7.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives
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Land use issue category		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives

Weeds and other pests should be controlled	Control pests	Apply integrated pest management practices
		Minimize the invasion or spread of noxious weeds into burned areas

Table M-7.—Summary of issues and concerns and associated goals and objectives for Canyon Ferry RMP/EA

Land use issue category (continued)		
Issue or concern	Goals	Objectives
Erosion is a problem around the reservoir	Reduce erosion	Minimize soil loss that will be caused by water erosion on the burn areas
		Retain or regain site productivity; emphasize ecosystem function in upland areas and associated drainages
		Protect the shoreline when Federal facilities or use may be impacted
Don't pollute the reservoir	Reduce pollution	Establish procedures and programs to ensure only nonpolluting facilities are developed
Land resources are not protected	Establish strategies to protect and manage resources	Develop land uses based on criteria developed to reduce erosion